

Recycling Committee Unofficial Notes 3 August 2017

Members Present: Juli Brazile, Karen Einstein, Charlotte Milan

Visitors: Julie Benyo, Rich Piazza

Since we did not have a quorum, we did not conduct any official business or take any votes.

These are notes of a few discussion items and actions proposed.

Suggestion: Larry and Charlotte discuss the idea of promoting items for sale at Town Day. Collecting money is possible, but Charlotte recommends people donate so we don't have the legal issues of sales tax. We agreed that if we are giving the bags away in exchange for a donation, we should have a clear statement of what the donation is supporting. We didn't discuss it in detail, but an example is: we want to continue and expand outreach about the plastic bag ban and the importance of REUSE items like bags and water bottles to replace every day single use items and develop good, sustainable habits.

Town Day Booth: Juli shared Larry's idea of a flyer showing our bags, the kitchen scrap collector, our blue barrels and DPW composters. Charlotte had some questions about how that would work or what we were promoting because DPW runs low on some items at times. Larry and Charlotte can work out the details.

Town Day Sign Ups: Charlotte has created a sign up for the people working the recycling and composting stations at either end. She can easily add a section for slots at the Recycling Committee booth if one sign up seems easier for people. Charlotte will wait to hear from Larry and Paul.

Publicizing the New Plastic Bag Ban: Juli is going to contact Christine Bongiorno, head of Arlington Heath and Human Services. They are handling enforcement of the plastic bag ban and if they have a FAQ or basic information sheet on the ban it would be great for us to be able to give out the official version at our booth.

Submitted by Juli Brazile